16 Belgrave Road Clifton
Bristol
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My dear Mr Garrison,

It is a great pleasure to see your name, and to learn that you were able to give two addresses, at the recent New England Woman's Suffrage Association meeting - I venture to hope from it that you are in better health, ~~am~~ ays of a prisoner & sufferer from rheumatism than when I last heard of you - The account of the speeches at the N.E. Assn meeting are most encouraging - Everything in the Woman's Journal has a very

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great attraction for me and for some
of my friends here — One of
these, the writer of the enclosed
address — Mr B. W. Elwy, is just about
to take a voyage to America for the
sake of his health, and as he cares
more for "souls" than scenery (he says)
he will make his way to Boston
as fast as he can, & endeavour, by
the help of the Editors of the Woman's Jr.
(at whose office I advised him to call)
to get introduced to friends engaged
in social reforms — I am of course
much anxious for him to have the
pleasure of knowing you — You will
find him in hearty fellowship. One
stranger to your life-work & aims —

He has I believe injured his health
by the mental suffering which
dwelling on the terrible wrongs
to woman involved in the legislation
against which we are waging war, has
occasioned. He has written, & spoken,
& studied the foreign statistics, as well
as the British aspect of the question -
and assisted our beloved Mrs Butler
in this arduous work till at times
his own nervous system has been
almost prostrated - And the whole
subject of inequality of sex, and
Class & injustice of every shape
meets with stern rebuke from him -
My personal acquaintance with
him has been of short duration.

He has recently married Miss Walsh
holme, a lady well known in educational
Reform. ~~Efforts~~ movements with whom I have been
associated ~~so~~ during there last five years
of warfare — I invited Mr Elmy to
come to my house for change of air,
& a fortnight here gave us the opportunity
of discovering how much common ground
we had, & filled him with a desire to become
acquainted with yourself & the many
noble reformers whose names are in
the Woman's Journal & whose objects
are those which he has most deeply
at heart. I was desirous to mention
him to you before hand instead of sending
a letter of introduction by him, as I
feared your health might make an
unexpected caller inconvenient to
you and to dear Mrs Garrison — But

if you are able to see him perhaps you will send a message to that effect to the Office of the W. Journal 3 Tremont Street. He will I think be in Boston in about ten days from the time of this letter reaching you — He is much interested in schools — has had a good deal of experience in teaching which is his favorite pursuit tho' at present he is engaged in connection with a manufacturing business. I fear he will be too late to see any of your schools and that many of his friends will have left for their summer holiday. But I hope he will find D' Zakrzewska & some other lady doctors. Their work is one in which he has a keen interest, & he is very anxious for some conversation with them on physiological & sanitary points. I quite envy him seeing you and other of my valued friends in Boston. The

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time will I trust come ere long
for me to revisit America, but not
this year as far as I can see onward.
Every one of your family live in my
affectionate thoughts & pray give my
cordial regards to each of your sons
& may love to their dear Mother. Mrs
Pillard is I believe in Europe I hope
for V.'s health is by delicate than
when I last heard —
Our dear Edinburgh friends are well,
Mrs Wigham & Eliza have just been in
Bristol on their way to Dublin after the
London Yearly Meeting. They are unchanged
outwardly, & only grow more good & lovely
They give a good report too of dear Mrs Richie
But you hear from her I know at times & I
need not enlarge — I heard to-day (thro'
her niece) of Mrs H. Martineau who is still living
here but very weak. Ever yours dear Mr Garrison
Most truly & affectionately Mary & Estlin

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